# YOU ARE INVITED!

On Sunday, July 29th, all interested persons are invited to an event to celebrate the publication of Bill Duellman's "Hylid Frogs." Both Bill and Dave Dennis, the artist who painted the watercolors reproduced in the book, will be present. The original watercolors will be on display and available for sale. Join us!

ROOM 208 IN THE CONFERENCE CENTER, SUNDAY, 3:30-5:00 PM

## THE HYLID FROGS OF MIDDLE AMERICA

**New and Expanded Edition** 

by WILLIAM E. DUELLMAN drawings by David M. Dennis

This is a product that current and future researchers will cherish.... No one is as knowledgeable, as attentive to organization and detail, and as thorough.... Throughout the entire work, high emphasis is placed on quality—accurate data, excellent photography, wonderful artistry.... This book has much to tell us concerning the unique amphibian fauna of the region, and will long serve as the fundamental reference source for the hylids.

— DAVID B. WAKE, from the Foreword to the New Edition.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES The Society for the Study of Authorized a classic stapanded version of a book that has long enjoyed a classic status. Professor Duellman's Hylid Frogs was originally issued in 1970 by the Museum of Natural History of The University of Kansas. As Jay M. Savage wrote in Herpetological Review at the time, "In tropical American herpetology, it is likely to remain an unassailable model." In 753 pages, 324 figures, and 72 plates, the book surveyed all 115 species of hylid frogs then known from México to Panamá, complemented by reproductions of David M. Dennis's highly detailed and life-like watercolors. Hobart M. Smith commented in Copeia, "Hylid Frogs marks an apogee of achievement; it is the Hope Diamond of technical herpetological literature." The book was an instant success, but it soon went out of print and copies today fetch \$300 or more on the secondhand market, when they can be found at all.

During the intervening years until the present, the number of species in this region has risen by 50 to 165, most of them new species from southern México, Guatemala, and Honduras, and all of them from the highland regions. The expanded edition consists of 1170 pages—a 55% enlargement of the original—and 22 new plates. The new edition includes a reprint of the original text plus a supplement in which each species account is revised and the new or resurrected species are treated in detail. Similarly, the numbers of figures, tables, and appendices are significantly increased. New spot distribution maps are provided for the new species and also for many others whose distributions have expanded since 1970.





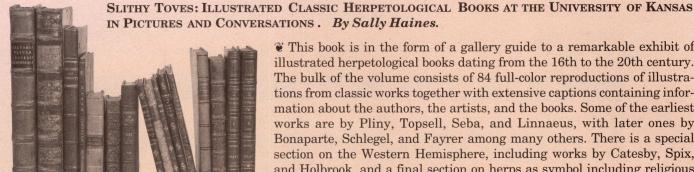
For reproduction of the color plates, the original watercolors have been laser scanned—not photographically reproduced as in 1970—using the latest technologies. This has produced images that are brighter, more accurate, and much closer to the original paintings. In addition, Mr. Dennis has produced 55 new watercolors (51 in color, 4 black-and-white). The resulting plates are of the highest standard.

The species accounts are arranged as in the 1970 edition: Synonymy, Diagnosis, Description, Tadpoles, Mating Call, Natural History, Remarks, Etymology, and Distribution. There is a review of the evolutionary history of Middle America including plate tectonics, the evolution and phylogenetic relationships of hylid frogs, a chapter on distribution and diversity, and biogeographic comparisons between hylids and frogs of the genus *Eleutherodactylus* and with bolitoglossine salamanders, the two other large taxonomic and geographic segments of the Middle American amphibian fauna. There is also a chapter on conservation, keys to adults, and a table of larval characteristics. Results of phylogenetic analyses are provided for most hypothesized lineages. As in the original edition, there are extensive tables showing the distribution of species within ecogeographic regions; altitudinal distribution, habitat, and reproductive sites; and an appendix listing all newly acquired museum specimens.

Specifications: 1170 pages, 443 figures including maps, 88 tables, 6 appendices, 94 plates (48 black-and-white, 46 in full color, color frontispieces). Format 8 by 11 inches (21.5 by 28 cm), clothbound in library-grade buckram in 2 volumes. ISBN 0-916984-56-7. Published July 2001.

A special price of \$100 (regular price, \$125) will be extended only through this meeting. Purchase copies at the SSAR Publications Desk.

### RECENT PUBLICATIONS FROM THE S.S.A.R.



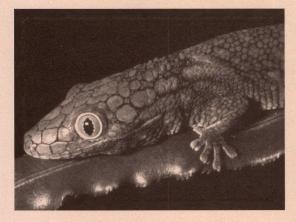
This book is in the form of a gallery guide to a remarkable exhibit of illustrated herpetological books dating from the 16th to the 20th century. The bulk of the volume consists of 84 full-color reproductions of illustrations from classic works together with extensive captions containing information about the authors, the artists, and the books. Some of the earliest works are by Pliny, Topsell, Seba, and Linnaeus, with later ones by Bonaparte, Schlegel, and Fayrer among many others. There is a special section on the Western Hemisphere, including works by Catesby, Spix, and Holbrook, and a final section on herps as symbol including religious manuscripts, sea serpents, and astronomical atlases. This volume is a treasure trove of some of the finest herpetological illustrations ever produced.

SCIENTIFIC AND STANDARD ENGLISH NAMES OF AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES OF NORTH AMERICA NORTH OF MEXICO, WITH COMMENTS REGARDING CONFIDENCE IN OUR UNDERSTANDING By the Committee on Standard English and Scientific Names (Brian I. Crother, chair)

This 86-page booklet represents a radical departure from previous herpetological common names lists in that it (1) adopts guidelines for the formation of standard English names and a framework for creation of future names, and (2) includes extensive commentary, with literature references, on the taxonomy, current studies, and reasons for changes in names. The 14 authors are among the leading specialists on North American amphibians and reptiles.

Officially adopted by the Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles, the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, and The Herpetologists' League.





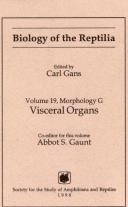
#### THE HERPETOFAUNA OF NEW CALEDONIA By Aaron M. Bauer and Ross A. Sadlier. French translations by Ivan Ineich.

This book results from 20 years of field work by the authors in New Caledonia, the Loyalty Islands, and an associated group of smaller reefs and islands in the tropical Southwest Pacific. Among the 71 species of terrestrial reptiles, 86% are endemic. New Caledonia is one of the earth's biologically richest yet most endangered terrestrial ecoregions. Geckos and skinks are the most numerous and dominant terrestrial vertebrates and include the world's largest living geckos (Rhacodactylus) and more than a dozen genera of skinks among which are the giant skinks (Phoboscincus). Included are 153 color photographs depicting nearly every species and 36 of habitats.

#### BIOLOGY OF THE REPTILIA, VOLUME 19: THE VISCERAL ORGANS Edited by Carl Gans and Abbot S. Gaunt

This celebrated series has been widely acclaimed as the definitive resource on reptilian biology. From the first volume in 1969, the distinguished contributors to this series have included an international group of more than 100 experts in their respective fields. Each volume summarizes the state of our knowledge, lays groundwork for future research, and provides an indepth guide to the relevant literature. SSAR has now assumed responsibility for this series. Each volume is extensively illustrated and has both topical and taxonomic indices.

A series worthy of an honored place in the library of anyone interested in the Reptilia. — Alfred Sherwood Romer.



#### Plate 88

| Tadpoles:       |                                   |               |       |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------|
| Number 1:       | Hyla cyanomma                     | not available |       |
| Number 2:       | Hyla cembra                       | not available |       |
| Number 3:       | Hyla sabrina                      | not available |       |
| Number 4:       | Hyla celata                       | not available |       |
| Number 5:       | Ptychohyla panchoi                | 19 x 25 cm    | \$ 00 |
|                 | (by Gretchen Bracher)             | 19 x 25 cm    | \$ 30 |
|                 |                                   |               |       |
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| Plate 89, nun   | nber 1 and Plate 90, number 1     |               |       |
| Plectrohyla tec | unumani (by Gretchen Bracher)     | 21 x 28 cm    | \$ 50 |
|                 |                                   |               | 4 30  |
| Plate 89, nun   | nber 2 and Plate 90, number 2     |               |       |
| Plectrohyla pol | komchi (by Gretchen Bracher)      | 21 x 28 cm    | \$ 50 |
|                 |                                   |               |       |
| Plate 89, nun   | nber 3 and Plate 90, number 3     |               |       |
| Plectrohyla acc | anthodes (by Gretchen Bracher)    | 21 x 28 cm    | \$ 50 |
|                 |                                   |               |       |
| Plate 89, nun   | nber 4 and Plate 90, number 4     |               |       |
| Plectrohyla gud | atemalensis (by Gretchen Bracher) | 21 x 28 cm    | \$ 50 |
|                 |                                   |               |       |
| Plate 91, num   | ber 1 and Plate 92, number 1      |               |       |
| Plectrohyla har | rtwegi (by Anne A. Musser)        | 20 x 26 cm    | \$ 50 |
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These unique original watercolor paintings are offered for sale by SSAR, with the proceeds being used exclusively to subsidize the cost of book production in order to lower the sales price of the books.

Address inquiries to the SSAR Treasurer, Dr. Robert D. Aldridge, address: Department of Biology, Saint Louis University, 3507 Laclede, Room 127, Saint Louis, Missouri 63103, USA; e-mail: ssar@slu.edu; fax: 314-977-3658; phone: 314-977-3900. May be charged to Visa or MasterCard (give number and expiration date). Shipping is \$5.00 per drawing and *includes insurance* inside USA.

At this meeting, the drawings are available at the SSAR Publications booth.

#### Price List

## Original Watercolor Paintings by David M. Dennis

(All paintings are individually signed by the artist.)

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| Plate 73  | Species           | Size of<br>Art board | Price           |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Number 1: | Hyla graceae      | 13 x 18 cm           | US <b>\$200</b> |
| Number 2: | Hyla insolita     | 13 x 18 cm           | \$300           |
| Number 3: | Hyla zeteki       | 13 x 18 cm           | \$100           |
| Number 4: | Hyla palmeri      | 13 x 18 cm           | \$200           |
| Number 5: | Hyla pugnax       | 21 x 28 cm           | \$400           |
| Plate 74  |                   |                      |                 |
| Number 1: | Hyla dendrophasma | 18 x 24 cm           | \$200           |
| Number 2: | Hyla fimbrimembra | 13 x 18 cm           | \$200           |
| Number 3: | Hyla minera       | 13 x 18 cm           | \$300           |
| Number 4: | Hyla salvaje      | 13 x 18 cm           | \$100           |
| Plate 75  |                   |                      |                 |
| Number 1: | Hyla catracha     | 15 x 18 cm           | \$300           |
| Number 2: | Hyla juanitae     | not available        | ,0-0            |
| Number 3: | Hyla juanitae     | not available        |                 |
| Number 4: | Hyla perkinsi     | 13 x 18 cm           | \$300           |
| Number 5: | Hyla abdivita     | 14 x 18 cm           | \$200           |

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| Number 1: | Hyla chimalapa          | 13 x 18 cm    | \$100 |
| Number 2: | Hyla xera               | 13 x 18 cm    | \$200 |
| Number 3: | Hyla bocourti           | 13 x 18 cm    | \$300 |
| Number 4: | Hyla wrightorum         | 13 x 18 cm    | \$400 |
| Number 5: | Pternohyla dentata      | 21 x 28 cm    | \$500 |
| Plate 77  |                         |               |       |
| Number 1: | Hyla nephila            | 13 x 18 cm    | \$200 |
| Number 2: | Hyla trux               | not available |       |
| Number 3: | Hyla trux               | not available |       |
| Plate 78  |                         |               |       |
| Number 1: | Hyla calthula           | 13 x 18 cm    | \$300 |
| Number 2: | Hyla celata             | 13 x 18 cm    | \$100 |
| Number 3: | Hyla cyanomma           | 13 x 18 cm    | \$300 |
| Plate 79  |                         |               |       |
| Number 1: | Hyla crassa             | not available |       |
| Number 2: | Hyla crassa             | not available |       |
| Number 3: | Hyla crassa             | 17 x 22 cm    | \$400 |
| Plate 80  |                         |               |       |
| Number 1: | Hyla mykter             | not available |       |
| Number 2: | Hyla mykter             | 18 x 22 cm    | \$400 |
| Number 3: | Hyla sabrina            | 15 x 18 cm    | \$300 |
| Number 4: | Hyla psarosema          | 14 x 18 cm    | \$100 |
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| Number 1: | Duellmanohyla lythrodes | 13 x 18 cm    | \$200 |
| Number 2: | Duellmanohyla salvavida | 13 x 18 cm    | \$200 |
| Number 3: | Duellmanohyla soralia   | 15 x 18 cm    | \$500 |
| Number 4: | Duellmanohyla soralia   | 13 x 18 cm    | \$300 |

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| Number 1: | Ptychohyla panchoi           | 18 x 20 cm   | \$200 |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------------|-------|
| Number 2: | Ptychohyla sanctaecrucis     | 13 x 18 cm   | \$300 |
| Number 3: | Ptychohyla spinipollex       | 13 x 18 cm   | \$200 |
| Number 4: | Ptychohyla spinipollex       | 17 x 22 cm   | \$300 |
| Number 5: | Ptychohyla leonhardschultzei | 13 x 18 cm   | \$300 |
| Plate 83  |                              |              |       |
| Number 1: | Plectrohyla dasypus          | 16 x 20 cm   | \$300 |
| Number 2: | Plectrohyla psiloderma       | 15 x 18 cm   | \$300 |
| Number 3: | Plectrohyla acanthodes       | 20 x 24 cm   | \$500 |
| Number 4: | Plectrohyla guatemalensis    | 18 x 23 cm   | \$400 |
| Number 5: | Plectrohyla guatamalensis    | 18 x 23 cm   | \$400 |
| Plate 84  |                              |              |       |
| Number 1: | Plectrohyla chrysopleura     | 13 x 18 cm   | \$200 |
| Number 2: | Plectrohyla exquisita        | 13 x 18 cm   | \$300 |
| Number 3: | Plectrohyla hartwegi         | 13 x 18 cm   | \$300 |
| Number 4: | Plectrohyla pokomchi         | 13 x 18 cm   | \$200 |
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| Plate 86  |                              |              |       |
| Number 1: | Hyla cembra                  | 13 x 18 cm   | \$100 |
| Number 2: | Hyla clavicollina            | 13 x 18 cm   | \$100 |
| Number 3: | Hyla labedactyla             | 13 x 18 cm   | \$100 |
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| Plate 87  |                              |              |       |
| Number 1: | Ptychohyla erythromma        | 13 x 17 cm   | \$100 |
| Number 2: | Plectrohyla tecunumani       | 14 x 22 cm   | \$100 |
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